

Springerville Town Council  
Minutes  
November 15, 2006

Present: Kay Dyson Mayor, Vice Mayor Mary Nedrow, Mark Baca, Pete Hunt and Phelps Wilkins

Staff: Scott Garms Town Manager, Val Cordova Town Clerk, Tim Shaffery and Eduardo Coronado, TBS LAW, James Hamblin Finance Director and Tom Malone Public Works Director, Bob Scola, Suzanne Ely.

Public: Kevin Burk, Audra Sloane Chamber Director

1. Mayor Dyson called the November 15, 06 meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Dyson followed by silence in honor of all Veterans' and things we are thankful for.

3. Public Participation:

Mr. Bob Scola announced that the VFW would be serving Thanksgiving dinner. He also reminded everyone to fly the flags at half staff on December 7<sup>th</sup>.

4. Manager, Council, and Chamber Reports:

Mayor Dyson reported that she attended the Apache County Anti-Meth Coalition meeting. They have received a \$20,000 grant from the governor to form the coalition. They are looking for a facility to hold a town hall meeting. They will be distributing assessment surveys that will be tabulated by Apache County upon return.

Mr. Garms reported that the town has about three million dollars of FAA and ADOT Aeronautic work at the airport this year that began this week with the AWOS and beacon.

He reported that committee members that are coming up with expiration dates at the end on next month. There are three committees with vacancies; planning and zoning, tourism tax committee and a citizen is needed for the utility board. These positions will be advertised in the newspaper.

Audra Sloane Chamber Director reported on the upcoming chamber events and the Veterans' Day parade as well as working with the high school career awareness program. She announced that the chamber is looking for volunteers to work at the chamber.

Councilman Wilkins announced that the Christmas Home tour this year is adding a European Christmas Market where vendors will sell their wares at the historical park.

5. Consent Items.

a. Minutes of November 1, 2006

b. Special Per Diem for Mayor Dyson's attendance at meetings: Statewide Water Advisory Group in Phoenix and NACOG in Flagstaff.

c. Town of Springerville Emergency Operations Plans and Procedures Resolution 2006-R017.

Mayor Dyson declared a conflict of interest on item b.

Mary Nedrow/Pete Hunt motion to approve consent items 5a – 5b.

Vote: Ayes: Kay Dyson

Mary Nedrow  
Pete Hunt  
Mark Baca  
Phelps Wilkins

6. Community Development Block Grant: Prioritization of projects discussed in the public hearings.

Mr. Garms presented the list of projects for the council to prioritize the order they would like to use the CDBG funds and advised them not to consider the amount of money to allocate to each project tonight.

As discussed at the previous meeting, there was a walk through the old school with Sharon Tolman to discuss what could and could not be funded with CDBG money. Ms. Tolman stressed that those projects must benefit residents and must be completed at the end of the contract. She expressed concern with renovation of two bathrooms, however did feel that one bathroom and construction of removal of barriers for ADA compliance could be accomplished (entrance, exits and ramps, and demolition of the breezeway). She also emphasized identifying the building as a public facility.

Mr. Garms suggested beginning at one end and taking it a piece at a time. They could remove the breeze way separating the buildings, creating a walkway or pedestrian way that would make it ADA accessible. A public meeting room could be created in the small class room with a small amount of money from the general fund that would tie this project together. He reminded the council that going out to bid for contractors would use up most of the \$200,000 but using our public works department would keep those costs down and we would be able to use some of that money elsewhere.

Mr. Bob Scola and Ms. Suzanne Ely addressed the council about the current issues and concerns they have with the kitchen in the senior center. He explained that the new appliances put in with the County CDBG grant money are beautiful; however they were put in before any preliminary work was done to the walls and ceiling in the kitchen. There is a new sink still waiting to be put in too. In other words they put the cart before the horse. Ms. Ely stated that there are cracks in the walls, new paint is needed, insulation is showing and there are electrical wires hanging.

When asked, Tom Malone agreed that the kitchen needs to be striped down to do the repairs, but also noted that the kitchen has to be closed long enough to do the repairs. The kitchen would have to close completely for at least two weeks.

Several suggestions were made for a time frame that would best suit everyone and finding alternatives for serving the meals.

The council expressed their concern that these repairs had not been finished but also felt that the repairs could not wait for another year for the town's round of CDBG funds. They also agreed that the County should be invited back to assist the town with the repairs.

They felt that these repairs were of immediate concern and could not wait. The consensus of the council was that this should be considered the last on the project list.

Mr. Garms explained that the housing rehab could be written to encompass a broad range of items. The contract would be designed to use the money regardless.

Housing rehab was then discussed. There are approximately 43 families that need assistance. This contract would be written relatively broad to include water conservation, replacement of

water efficient appliances, heaters, sewer connections, roofs. Mr. Garms reminded the council that Eagar also does housing rehab.

Four of the council members wanted to prioritize housing rehab as number one, with removal of barriers as number two.

Councilman Phelps disagreed and stated that he felt we needed to have restrooms for staff once they move into the building and the removal of barriers for ADA compliance should be number one.

Mr. Garms reiterated that we are not discussing costs tonight but noted that he didn't think the intent was to use the entire \$200,000 on housing rehab. He did however advise that it would take about \$100,000 for housing rehab and by using our public works we could possibly do both projects.

The council members felt that they could do both projects with the CDBG money.

Pete Hunt/Mark Baca motion to set housing rehab as number one and removal of barriers as for the old school and municipal facilities number two and make the senior citizens center the third.

Vote:	Ayes:	Kay Dyson Mary Nedrow Mark Baca Pete Hunt
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Vote:	Nays:	Phelps Wilkins
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7. Holiday Budget: Discussion and action on how to expend the employee related Christmas Budget.

Mary Nedrow/Mark Baca motion to give \$25.00 gift cards to the fire department, part time employees \$50.00 and full time employees \$100.00.

Vote:	Ayes:	Kay Dyson Mary Nedrow Pete Hunt Mark Baca Phelps Wilkins
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8. Ordinance 2006-011: Discussion and first reading of Ordinance 2006-011 regulating the use of motorized skateboards and motorized play vehicles within the Town of Springerville.

Mayor Dyson/Pete Hunt motion to table this until Chief West is here to answer questions.

Vote:	Ayes:	Kay Dyson Mary Nedrow Pete Hunt Mark Baca Phelps Wilkins
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9. Adjournment:

Mark Baca/Phelps Wilkins motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:48p.m.

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Kay Dyson, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Town Clerk

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Springerville Town Council in regular session on Wednesday November 15, 2006. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and a quorum was present.

Dated this 17<sup>th</sup> day of November 2006

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Town Clerk